

House District 4

Tim Grussendorf, Democrat



DATE OF BIRTH: May 28, 1965

PLACE OF BIRTH: Duluth, Minnesota

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OCCUPATION: commercial fisherman (SE gillnet and dungeness crab), former legislative aide.

LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA: 35 years
Juneau 1989 to present
Sitka 1967-1989

EDUCATION:
Sitka High School, 1980-1983, Diploma; Lane Community College, 1984-1986, Criminal Justice; University of Oregon, 1986-1989, B.A., Political Science.

POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:
Senate page, 1990; Senate Sergeant at Arms, 1991-1992; legislative aide to Senator Hoffman, 1995-2002.

SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:

Board member, Juneau Docks and Harbors, board member, Northern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association (NSRAA); Vice President, Southeast Alaska Fisherman's Alliance (SEAFA).

SPECIAL INTERESTS:

Fishing; camping; basketball; coach, Youth Soccer Coach for Juneau Parks and Recreation; Juneau Soccer Club.

STATEMENT:

Spending 35 years of my life in Southeast Alaska, I know the challenges that Juneau faces. If Juneau is to remain a great place to work and raise a family we must encourage economic growth. We must retain the Capital, and ensure that Juneau and the rest of Southeast Alaska receives fair treatment from the Legislature, particularly when it comes to schools, roads, the Ferry system, and small business development.

I have 10 years of Legislative experience. Working as staff to a Senator for 7 years has provided me skills in working with different interest groups, researching issues, preparing for committee meetings and floor sessions. The past 2 years working with the Finance Committee has provided me a good understanding of our state budgets, how they are crafted and how various funding sources are implemented.

As the owner of a Commercial Fishing business, I understand the concerns of the private sector. Over the past 10 years my business had to adapt to the challenges of the ever-changing fishing industry, anticipate new governmental mandates and consumer needs. These challenges of the changing business climate help us meet future demands.

It's time to focus on issues that bring us together such as keeping the capital in Juneau, building a strong community, and educating our children. We need a legislator who reflects our special needs and goals. As a fisherman and former Legislative Aide with a young family, I have the right credentials to fight for our values and lifestyle.